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Sheep on Farms, July 1, 2014

Statistics Canada's semi-annual survey estimates sheep and lambs on **Saskatchewan** farms at 123 thousand head on July 1, 2014. Inventory is down two per cent from the July 1, 2013 estimate.

Western Canada's sheep and lamb inventories were estimated at 452 thousand head on July 1, 2014, down three per cent from a year ago.

- The sheep numbers were down 2% from a year ago.
- The number of lambs decreased 4% from 2012.

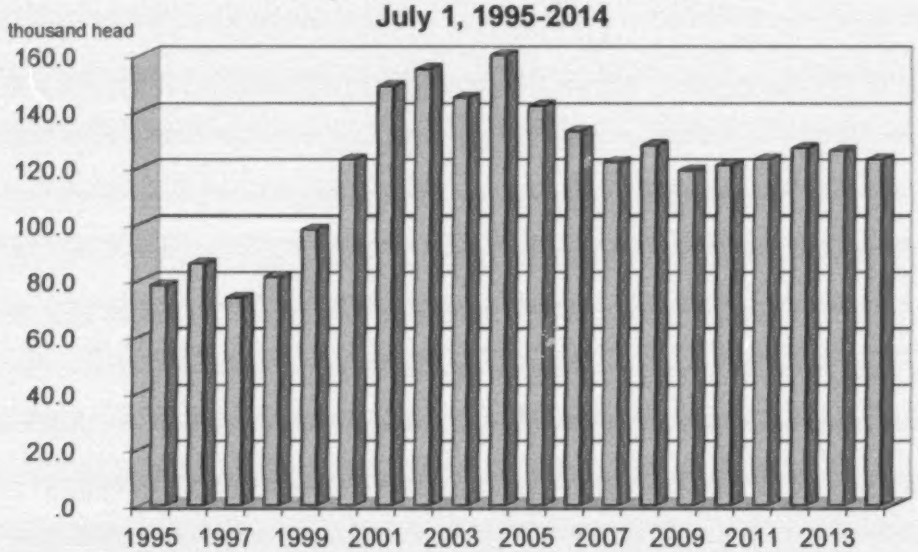
Eastern Canada's inventory was estimated at 648 thousand on July 1, 2014, down two per cent from July 1, 2013.

- The sheep numbers were down 1% from a year ago.
- The number of lambs was down 4% from 2013.

Total sheep and lamb inventories in **Canada** were estimated at 1.1 million head on July 1, 2014, down two per cent from the July 1, 2013 estimate.

Sheep and lamb inventories have not seen significant change from 2013. Prices are improving so inventories could start to rise again.

Sheep on Saskatchewan Farms at July 1, 1995-2014



Sheep on Farms

	July 2014	July 2013	2014/2013 %
	head		
Saskatchewan			
sheep	62 000	62 300	100
rams	3 000	2 800	107
ewes	59 000	59 500	99
lambs	61 000	63 700	96
replacement	8 800	9 500	93
market	52 200	54 200	96
total	123 000	126 000	98
Western Canada			
sheep	220 000	223 900	98
rams	11 600	11 700	99
ewes	208 400	212 200	98
lambs	232 000	241 100	96
replacement	34 800	36 800	95
market	197 200	204 300	97
total	452 000	465 000	97
Eastern Canada			
sheep	368 000	370 700	99
rams	15 300	15 600	98
ewes	352 700	355 100	99
lambs	279 700	290 000	96
replacement	62 500	63 900	98
market	217 200	226 100	96
total	647 700	660 700	98
Canada			
sheep	588 000	594 600	99
rams	26 900	27 300	99
ewes	561 100	567 300	99
lambs	511 700	531 100	96
replacement	97 300	100 700	97
market	414 400	430 400	96
total	1 099 700	1 125 700	98

Source: Statistics Canada

Sheep on Saskatchewan Farms, July 1, 1995-2014

	total	breeding herd		lambs	
		rams	ewes	replacement	market
		thousand head			
2014	123.0	3.0	59.0	8.8	52.2
2013	126.0	2.8	59.5	9.5	54.2
2012	127.0	2.9	60.8	10.0	53.3
2011	123.0	2.7	59.1	9.1	52.1
2010	121.0	2.8	56.3	9.4	52.5
2009	119.0	2.6	57.6	11.6	47.2
2008	128.0	2.9	58.7	10.8	55.6
2007	122.0	2.9	56.6	9.2	53.3
2006	133.0	2.7	64.2	13.8	52.3
2005	142.0	3.0	66.5	14.0	58.5
2004	160.0	3.2	68.1	14.5	74.2
2003	145.0	3.6	67.0	15.0	59.4
2002	155.0	3.8	70.5	17.5	63.2
2001	149.0	3.7	66.0	21.6	57.7
2000	123.0	3.3	56.2	17.2	46.3
1999	98.0	2.9	43.7	11.5	39.9
1998	81.3	2.3	34.0	10.0	35.0
1997	73.8	1.9	32.0	8.2	31.7
1996	86.0	2.7	39.5	10.5	33.3
1995	78.2	1.9	38.1	9.9	28.3

Sheep on Saskatchewan Farms, January 1, 1995-2014

	total	breeding herd		lambs	
		rams	ewes	replacement	market
		thousand head			
2014	101.0	3.0	57.5	10.0	30.5
2013	102.0	3.1	58.0	10.2	30.7
2012	98.0	2.9	57.2	9.3	28.6
2011	98.0	2.8	56.9	8.0	30.3
2010	94.0	2.8	53.5	7.7	30.0
2009	86.0	2.7	50.1	7.5	25.7
2008	91.0	2.9	51.8	11.4	24.9
2007	96.0	3.0	52.5	13.5	27.0
2006	105.0	2.8	51.0	13.7	37.5
2005	130.0	3.0	65.2	14.1	47.7
2004	125.0	2.7	61.7	13.6	47.0
2003	115.0	2.8	60.0	12.5	39.7
2002	117.2	2.7	62.6	14.8	37.1
2001	110.0	2.8	61.6	13.8	31.8
2000	91.0	2.6	54.1	11.5	22.8
1999	71.5	2.0	36.0	9.5	24.0
1998	54.7	1.9	34.1	5.9	12.8
1997	50.7	2.0	33.0	6.5	9.2
1996	68.2	2.0	38.2	7.3	20.7
1995	68.6	2.0	36.9	6.4	23.3

Source: Statistics Canada